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Governor Brewer Honors Fallen Officer, Lt. Eric Shuhandler Orders Flags Flown At Half-Staff

PHOENIX – Governor Jan Brewer today announced that all flags at state buildings will be flown at half-staff tomorrow, February 3, 2010, in honor of slain Gilbert Police Lt. Eric Shuhandler. Lt. Shuhandler, a 16-year veteran of the Gilbert police force, was fatally shot during a routine traffic stop last Thursday, January 28, 2010.

"I deeply regret the passing of Lt. Shuhandler, particular since it was the result of the actions of criminals," stated Governor Brewer. "I remain mindful of the dangers faced by our men and women in uniform, and how blessed we are that we have people willing to risk—and potentially give—their lives in service to all of us. My prayers are with the children and family members of this brave officer, as well as all his law enforcement colleagues who mourn his tragic death."

Lt. Shuhandler's memorial service and burial will be held tomorrow.

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